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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Rastelli and Guo

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Group Art Unit: 1631

Filed: January 22, 2002

Examiner: Moran, Marjorie A.

For: NOVEL POLYPEPTIDES AND
NUCLEIC ACIDS ENCODED
THEREBY

Attorney Docket No.: 21402-251 (Cura-551)

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants hereby petition for a one (1) month extension of time for replying to the Office Action, which was mailed on September 9, 2004, in connection with above-identified application. With the extension, the reply is due on or before January 10, 2005 (January 9, 2005 is a Sunday).

Please charge \$60 (small entity) petition fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1) or any additional fees that may be due to Deposit Account No. 502648, reference number Cura-551. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: January 10, 2005

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